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SUBJECT: EC TARIFF CLASSIFICATION OF FRESH BLUEBERRIES
AND CRANBERRIES

REF: STATE 206838

1. WE HAVE DISCUSSED U.S. VIEWS WITH MANSFIELD OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF TRADE WHO HAS LEAD RESPONSIBILITY FOR THIS
ISSUE IN THE UK GOVERNMENT, UNDERSCORING OUR POSITION
THAT THE DRAFT PROPOSAL AS NOW WRITTEN WOULD HAVE AN
APPARENTLY UNINTENDED RESTRICTIVE TRADE EFFECT.

2. ON THE OFFICIAL LEVEL, MANSFIELD SAID HE TOOK OUR
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POINTS, BUT FELT THE ISSUE WAS ESSENTIALLY A COMMISSION
RESPONSIBILITY. SPEAKING LESS OFFICIALLY, HE SAID THE
GERMAN PROPOSAL TO EASE THE PROBLEM SEEMED QUITE REASON-
ABLE AND THE UK COULD SUPPORT SOMETHING ALONG THIS LINE
WHEN THE ISSUE IS NEXT DISCUSSED IN LATE SEPTEMBER OR
EARLY OCTOBER. HE ADDED THAT HE HAD NOT SEEN THE PAPER
THE GERMANS SAID THEY WOULD BE PREPARING.

3. BY WAY OF BACKGROUND ON THE ISSUE, MANSFIELD SAID IT WAS HIS IMPRESSION THAT THE DILLON ROUND AGREEMENT WAS IN FACT LIMITED TO WILD VARIETIES -- AND THAT THE BINDING TEXT ON THE EC WAS THE FRENCH LANGUAGE VERSION. HE SAID THE CURRENT PROBLEM HAS PARTIALLY ARISEN BECAUSE THE LATER ENGLISH TRANSLATION WAS LESS PRECISE AND LESS RESTRICTIVE THAN THE ORIGINAL, HAVING A BROADER EFFECT THAN INITIALLY INTENDED. BREWSTER

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